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Conference: Revelation, Hermeneutics, Phenomenology

October 8-10, 2026

Boston College, Boston, MA (October 8, 2026)

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The problem of ascertaining whether a particular experience or event is revelatory—given by the divine—is a crucial issue in both theology and philosophy of religion. Can experiences of God be distinguished from other sorts of “transcendent” or elevating phenomena, and what might be the characteristics of such experiences? Is God revealed or manifested in a particular way that can be identified? Is revelation a specific and unique experience that has a certain shape or identifiable structures? Various hermeneutic and phenomenological approaches raise such questions in new ways that challenge and broaden the accounts of revelation given by much contemporary religious epistemology and theology. Bringing hermeneutic and phenomenological insights to bear on discussions in contemporary religious epistemology and theology enriches and widens narrow conceptions of revelation and presents new opportunities for unfolding how God is manifested.

Conference website:

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